BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF UPPER MARLBORO

ORDINANCE:

2020-06

SESSION:

Regular Town Meeting

INTRODUCED:

May 12, 2020

DATE ENACTED:

June 9, 2020

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH TAX RATES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, the Town of Upper Marlboro (the "Town") is a municipal corporation of the State of Maryland expressly authorized by Maryland Code Annotated, Local Government ("LG") Art., § 5-205(b)(1) to expend any municipal funds for any purpose deemed to be public and to affect the safety, health and general welfare of the municipality and its occupants; and

WHEREAS, the Charter of the Town of Upper Marlboro (the "Town Charter"), Section 82–16(2)(v) (Finances), states that the Board shall have the power to pass ordinances not contrary to the laws and Constitution of this State in order to levy, assess, and collect ad valorem property taxes; to expend municipal funds for any public purpose; to have general management and control of the finances of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Charter, Section 82–47 (Taxable Property) states all real property and all tangible personal property within the corporate limits of the Town, or personal property which may have a situs there by reason of the residence of the owner therein, shall be subject to taxation for municipal purposes, and the assessment used shall be the same as that for State and County taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Town Charter, Section 82–48 (Tax Levy) states that on or before the thirtieth day of June in each and every year, the Board shall determine the tax rate for the ensuing fiscal year, which determination shall constitute the tax levy for such year; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 2018-08, effective for the tax year beginning July 1, 2019, and for each tax year thereafter unless altered by a subsequent enactment of the Board of Commissioners, the classifications of property subject to municipal taxation, with respect to those properties, businesses or utilities located within the municipal boundaries of the Town of Upper Marlboro, shall be as follows: (i) commercial real property, (ii) noncommercial real property, (iii) business personal property, and (iv) public utility property; and

WHEREAS, the Town Charter, Section 82-11 mandates that except in cases of emergency, no ordinance shall be passed at the same meeting at which it is introduced and that at any regular or special meeting of the Board held not less than six nor more than sixty days after the meeting at which the ordinance was introduced, it shall be passed, or passed as amended, or rejected, or its consideration deferred to some specified future date; and

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WHEREAS, said Section 82-11 further mandates that each ordinance shall be posted in the Town office, and each ordinance or a fair summary thereof, shall be published at least once, in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 82–39 *et seq.* of the Town Charter, the Board of Town Commissioners plans to approve a separate annual budget ordinance consistent with this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF UPPER MARLBORO, STATE OF MARYLAND, DOES ORDAIN AND ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

That the tax rates for Fiscal Year 2021 for all real, personal and other property which is subject to taxation by the Town of Upper Marlboro are hereby established, levied and approved to be as follows:

Residential Real Property	\$ 0.24	per \$100.00 of assessed valuation;
Commercial Real Property	\$ 0.52	per \$100.00 of assessed valuation;
Business Personal Property	\$ 0.45	per \$100.00 of assessed valuation;
Public Utility Property	\$ 0.75	per \$100.00 of assessed valuation;

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Upper Marlboro, Maryland that the tax levy for Fiscal Year 2021 for the Town of Upper Marlboro and all other taxes, liens and/or fees prescribed herein shall remain as approved to be incorporated and adopted within the FY 2021 Budget Ordinance 2020-05.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Upper Marlboro, Maryland that pursuant to the Town Charter this Ordinance shall be posted in the Town office and a fair summary of it shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town and effective 20 days after passage by the Board.

AYES: 3

NAYES: Ø

ABSENT: 💋

INTRODUCED in a public session of the Board of Commissioners on this _______ day of _______, 2020.

ORDAINED, APPROVED AND finally passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Upper Marlboro, Maryland on this 4 day of 2020, by:

Attest:

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THE TOWN OF UPPER MARLBORO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Linda Pennoyer, President

Kai Bernal-LeClaire, Commissioner

M. David Williams, Town Clerk

Wanda Leonard, Commissioner

Reviewed and Approved for Legal Sufficiency

Kevin J Best, Town Attorney

Date: 6-12-2020